

PATENT

**In the Application of:** )  
McSwiggen )  
Serial No.: 10/576,752 )  
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**For:** Inhibition of Gene Expression Using )  
Duplex Forming Oligonucleotides )  
Examiner: TBD )  
Group Art Unit: 1645 )  
Confirmation No. 1907 )

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO MISSING PARTS,  
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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Notice to Comply, mailed on September 14, 2006 in the above-captioned application. The surcharge fee (\$65, small entity) associated with the late filing of the Declaration/POA is paid during the electronic filing process. Applicants comment on all other fees alleged due by the Office in the Remarks that follow.

**Amendments to the specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.